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## Jonesville Cemetery project underway

**Story and photos by Chief Master Sgt. David Curtis**  
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**H**ow do you bring a cemetery back to life? Just ask members of the Dobbins Top Three. Recently they, along with family members and other volunteers, got out the weed eaters, mowers, and sling blades and rolled up their sleeves to take on the growth that had transformed the Jonesville Cemetery into what had looked like a jungle.

While the base would occasionally mow the cemetery, the gravesites had not been maintained. With one of its first project undertakings, the Dobbins Top Three is planning to spruce up the cemetery and provide ongoing care for it. Spearheaded by Master Sgt. Mark Young, 22nd Air Force chief of fuels, the Top Three took on the cemetery project earlier this year.

"It's really gratifying to see a project like this take off," said Young. "There's a lot of history there and we're doing the right thing by adopting it. We're also finding that working like this is a good team building activity and is developing camaraderie. After the clean-up sessions, the volunteers picnicked together.

Sarah Nichols, a local resident, was pleased to see the attention the cemetery was receiving. She's had an interest in the cemetery her whole life and visited the cemetery during the first clean-up session. "I know a lot of people who have a great interest in Jonesville," said Nichols who brought along a photograph of her cousin's aunt who is buried there. "Many relatives of those buried here are still in the area and would love to be able to visit here."

The future looks good for the cemetery. Young said grass will be sown this Fall and he's hoping the base will help with mowing in the future. He also said an archeologist with the Cobb County Cemetery Committee has volunteered to do research on the gravesites.



**Maj. Michelle Collier, 94th Areomedical Staging Squadron nurse and Master Sgt. Mike McDonald, 94th Aerial Delivery Flight supervisor, volunteered with the Dobbins Top Three to reclaim the Jonesville cemetery.**



**Volunteers slowly chopped their way through the overgrowth. The cemetery project is one of several Top Three projects.**



**Sarah Nichols (kneeling) explains to Master Sgt. Mark Young, Foster Brown, and Betty Parker, a member of the Cobb County Cemetery Preservation Committee, that Rebecca Bedford was her cousin's aunt whose parents were slaves at the time of her birth.**

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## Around the Wing



(Photo by Don Peek)

**By Col. James Glenn**  
94th Airlift Wing, vice commander

During the first couple of days in November and extending into our unit training assembly, the 94th Airlift Wing will undergo a staff assistance visit from our neighbors at the 22nd Air Force. This inspection is important to us and to the Air Force Reserve. It's going to tell both of us how well we adhere to standards set by the Air Force. It's also our report card and will reflect on our bottom line to meet our Air Force mission.

Members of the SAV team will look at all aspects of our unit compliance items, examine our processes and determine how well we have identified and fixed problems. Among the myriad of items the inspection team looks at are past unit self inspections, special-emphasis items, letters of appointment and previous SAV results.

So how do they determine how we are doing?

It boils down to documentation. We must provide the paperwork that shows we found the problem, fixed the problem and then closed it out. We have to show

our people are trained, our equipment is properly maintained, and that we follow our standards. Documentation is how we do it. It's a simple, but time-consuming process to make sure our t's are crossed and i's are dotted, but it's the best way I know that we can demonstrate compliance. Our expertise, abilities, and record of excellence, and if you want to throw them in — our good looks — are not enough to tell the inspection team that we have it all together. Through documentation we can show that we are on top of any problems and that we have a thorough understanding of our processes.

As an example, if the SAV team sees that a unit has an ongoing shortcoming and that shortcoming still exists during the inspection and is not documented, it's a major defect. Don't get caught with shortcomings. Documentation must show how we implemented that correction. In going through your self-inspections, it may not always be possible to answer yes. But make sure that if you can't answer yes, you have a paper trail that shows you are working the problem. If you do not document it, it was not done. And, by the way, don't forget to let your group or squadron commander know the status of your fixes for identified problems.

Another area I think is important for all of us to look at is our coordination of information. This adds a level of complexity in preparing for the inspection. From the squadron, to the group, and then to the wing, information must be the same. We have to work from the same page. If you have information such as letters of appointment or organizational charts in your office that are different from those that are on file at higher levels, they need to be fixed.

We have less than two months to review our processes and make sure we're ready. The 94th AW has traditionally made the grade for our readiness and abilities, and I don't have any doubts that we won't get through this SAV with flying colors. Keep in mind that while the SAV team is here to evaluate us, they're also here to help us better understand our processes and to help us to fix problems. We're a team working to make this Air Force better.

## Top-Three Connection



(Photo by Don Peek)

**By Master Sgt. Dexter King**  
94th Aeromedical Staging Squadron,  
superintendent, Physical Exams

The United States Air Force Reserve requires an annual three-mile walk within a specific time period according to whatever age group we're in. Is this enough?

We're also required to get a physical exam every few years to ensure our physical condition meets the minimum standards. Is this enough?

But every year, we're required to weigh-in to ensure we're within standards according to our height and built. Again I ask, is this enough?

Being physically fit to fight goes beyond putting on our uniforms for a drill weekend or annual training and meeting the minimum standards. The same discipline it took for us to pass our career development courses and achieve our promotions has to be applied to ensure we're physically fit in case we're called to the defense of our country.

What does being physically fit mean? It means pushing away from that

extra piece of cake. It means getting up an hour early to stretch, walk, jog or run. It means taking the time to workout with that video exercise tape. It means staying on top of our medical needs and following our physicians' advice.

I'd personally like to see our units running together at lunchtime during our drill weekends. But we all know that running once a month just won't get it. We'll have to prepare for that run during the three to four weeks before the next UTA.

The key word for staying in shape is discipline. Hey, our air force is the best in the world, right? If we're going perform at our best we have to feel our best.

Think about it. The world loves a winner. Muhammad Ali, Michael Jordan, and Joe Namath (for those who can remember) didn't perfect their sport by working out only when they felt like it. They trained, and they trained and they trained! They knew what they had to do to face and conquer their opponents.

You also know what you have to do. You have to draw on your self-discipline that made you a success in achieving your military goals.

We expect our children to do their best. We expect them to practice, eat right and exercise discipline to achieve success. My daughter Ebony is athletically inclined. She competes in fast-pitch softball and basketball. At nine years old, she enjoys doing her strengthening exercises in the gym. But I still have to stay after her about eating too many sweets.

We all have those type of challenges. We set a goal to consume a certain amount of calories. Then at the end of the day when we've maxed out on our daily limit we want that beer, or a second helping of meat, or that double fudge chocolate brownie with ice cream on top.

Wouldn't it be nice if our metabolisms were still what they were at nine years old?

Eating right includes watching the cholesterol and fat amounts in addition to making sure you're getting enough fruits and vegetables in your diet.

So, for those of us who are doing the right thing when it comes to working out,

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eating right, and staying on top of our medical requirements, keep doing what you're doing.

For those of us who aren't — schedule that visit to the doctor to see what your medical status is. After that, your options are many. Join a health club.

Get with a personal trainer. See a nutritionist. Check out one of the safe tried and true programs that won't present a risk to your well being when it comes to changing your diet.

There's a lot of information out there and it isn't all good. So research, investigate, and take your time when you start your program. Results don't come over night.

And remember — we're members of the best military in the world. We have to constantly monitor our lifestyles and ourselves to make sure we're at our best.

## Logistics Group ranks high on CDC pass rate

**By Senior Airman Micky Cordiviola**  
*Public Affairs*

The 94th Logistics Group has been hitting the books! So far in fiscal year 2001 the 94th LG has had a 95 percent CDC pass rate. This pass rate far exceeds the other LG units within the 22nd Air Force. The 94th LG unit has credited their success to hard work and careful supervision.

"We have had great success this year," said Master Sgt. Ron Wakefield, 94th LG training manager. "I do not know what the other units are doing for their CDC test preparation, but I can tell you what we are doing. We provide each supervisor and trainee with a checklist that they must read and sign off on. They are held responsible for completing the task within the time period allotted."

The 94th LG uses a checklist that informs the trainee and supervisor of the amount of time that they have to complete each volume and end of review test with a satisfactory result.

"Results from each volume are reviewed by the commander and myself," said Wakefield. "If you let the CDC test process linger you may have a very serious problem down the road."

Not only are test results important, but if the trainee is not keeping their end of the agreement it is immediately brought to the attention of the training manager and commander. The commander then directs the appropriate action to rectify the situation.

"Everyone needs to be involved," said Wakefield. "In order for this thing to work we must have support from the commanders and supervisors. This is a supervisors program but it takes full cooperation from everybody to ensure the process runs smoothly."

# Looking back at Jonesville

**By Chief Master Sgt. David Curtis**  
*Public Affairs*

Born on May 11, 1865, a month after the Civil War ended, Rebecca Bedford now lies at rest in the Jonesville Cemetery. According to her descendants, Bedford was born in Kennesaw, Ga., into slavery and lived in Jonesville at the time of her death in December 1908. Her headstone is prominent among the dozens of others in this 3/4-acre plot, well off the beaten trail at Dobbins ARB.

Jonesville was a rural black community about a mile East of downtown Marietta and by the early 1900s was a community with hundreds of surrounding acres made up by black, land-owning farmers, who raised cotton, corn, cattle, hogs, and gardens. The actual community was located just North of where the Marine Training Center, across Highway 280, is now located. A trolley ran from Marietta to service the 60 plus residents, many were retirees, who lived in two rows of houses that made up of 15 or so homes in the community. Jonesville had its own elementary school, a church and cemetery. The cemetery is located between Highway 280 and the Base Exchange.

Doyle Thompson of Woodstock, Ga., remembers well what life was like in Jonesville. He and his family owned a large track of land where the Dobbins' front gate is now located. Thompson was born in 1918 near the front gate's red light and lived there until he joined the service in 1940 and can recall the names of many Jonesville residents, and which house they lived in. It was a time when women cooked meals and carried them to field workers,

"We could see Jonesville from our

house and I used to go over and visit friends there," recalled Thompson, who remembers there wasn't much time for play. "By the time we got through taking care of crops, feeding cattle and hogs, there wasn't much time to go out and have fun," said Thompson. "But, I did enjoy hunting and fishing for a past time. We hunted possums. Some folks would eat them, but I never did. They looked too much like a rat." Thompson added that several Jonesville residents still live in Marietta. One of those is Elizabeth Hayman who also remembers visiting Jonesville with her father and her friends.

"Some of us girls used to go out there and those boys would say 'here comes those city girls again,'" she laughed. We could take the trolley out there or ride out in a car. My father was the first black man in Marietta to own a car. He had a Model-T Ford, and I was always embarrassed to ride in the thing." After living for some time in Philadelphia, Hayman returned to Marietta and lives in the house her father owned when she was growing up.

She remembers that older children from Jonesville came to Marietta to attend school. "I remember the Jonesville school being in the church at one time," she continued. "There wasn't much to do in Jonesville so the young people would come into Marietta on Friday nights to attend school events and spend the weekend with friends in town."

Possibly, Jonesville's greatest claim to fame resides with Theodore "Tiger" Flowers, then the first black American to



**Rebecca Buford was born in Kennesaw just after the Civil War and is buried in the Jonesville Cemetery.**

hold a World Championship boxing title since Jack Johnson. Flowers established a training camp near Jonesville. He was born in 1895 in Camille, Ga., won the Middleweight Championship in 1926 and in 1927 died of an infection following eye surgery. He won 115 of his 149 professional fights and was elected to the International Boxing Hall of Fame in 1993.

The growth of Cobb County and the beginning of World War II marked the end of Jonesville. Some lands were annexed for the Marietta Air Field, but the U.S. Corps of Engineers took over the project as part of the war effort and purchased additional property that included Jonesville. The residents were relocated and the Bell Bomber plant was built.

## Congressional testimony: Modernization remains top priority

**By Lt. Gen. James E. Sherrard III**  
*chief of Air Force Reserve*  
*and commander of Air Force Reserve Command*

*Editor's Note: The following is the final part in a three-part series taken from testimony to the U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations' Subcommittee on Defense in May 2001.*

As Air Force Reserve Command moves into the future and we analyze our interoperability with the active component, a key issue is our ability to work within the active-component structure while providing the same capability as the active duty.

AFRC has 127 C-130s including the E, H, J and N/P models. Air Mobility Command, as the lead command for C-130 modernization, has published a "Road Map" detailing the fleet modernization schedule. Near-term modernization specifics for the AFRC C-130 fleet are additional, removable cockpit armor sets for deploying aircraft, traffic alert and collision avoidance systems, and autopilot replacements. These modifications target aircrew safety and survivability. Future plans look to include forward-looking infrared for the HC-130 fleet.

In the early 1980s as an initiative to improve readiness in the reserve components, Congress provided funding through an appropriation called the National Guard and Reserve Equipment

Appropriation. Public laws and legislative language provided that NGREA would be intended to enhance readiness and combat capability, and resolve the modernization issues of the reserve forces.

AFRC quickly put it into use as the primary source for modernizing its fleet of aircraft. It procured new weapon systems, as well as miscellaneous and special operations equipment. With NGREA, the Reserve was able to fix many shortcomings in many operational aspects.

However, several years ago, the Department of Defense initiated a shift in equipping philosophy by encouraging the services to be more responsive in funding the equipment needs of its reserve components. This requires the Air Force to be more cognizant in the budget process by providing the necessary equipment and modernization funding for the Reserve and Guard. As the implementation of this initiative took place, NGREA levels declined as planned from as high as \$362 million in 1992 to as low as \$5 million in fiscal year 2001.

With potential elimination of NGREA, modernization as well as relevant AFRC mission capabilities and combat readiness remain top priorities in a very tightly constrained fiscal environment. (AFRC News Service)

# Family Day 2001

**Story by Tech. Sgt. Bob Purtiman**  
*Public Affairs*

There are very few things in life that could be more important than family — and the 94th Airlift Wing wanted to recognize that when it held its annual family day during the August UTA.

For five days a week, reservists spend a majority of their time concentrating on their civilian jobs. They look forward to spending time with family when the weekend rolls around.

On UTA weekends families don't get to spend that much-anticipated time together. That time adds up to over 30 days over the course of a year — significant sacrifice for the reservist and their families.

Family day is a great way to say thanks and it's also a good avenue for families to get to know the people that their loved ones spend so much time with.

The activities kicked off at noon at the Lakeside Recreation facility. Lunch was served — it was good ole' fried or baked chicken with plenty of side dishes. And, of course, there was plenty of soda and ice cream available. What would a family day be without cotton candy topping off the menu?

There were a myriad of activities going on -- from volleyball to horseshoes to softball, there was plenty of action for all sports buffs. For the younger ones, bouncy boxing, choppersville and pandawalk were just some of the entertaining things they could do. It wouldn't be appropriate to have the event at the lakeside without the paddleboats and the under-12 fishing contest.

"Family Day gave my family a good chance to get out and see what I do during the weekends," said Capt. Mary Harp, 94th Airlift Wing executive officer. "It was a treat for my family to be with me for the weekend versus having to plan around activities on the first weekend of the month.

"My family's been around the military for close to 20 years so they are used to the lifestyle," she added. "Although it's one weekend away from my family a month, it's still one of the better decisions I've ever made."

To round out family day — a couple of softball games were on the venue. The 94th softball team drove past the 22nd team in fifth inning. It was a defensive game all the way. The 22nd Air Force team loaded the bases twice but couldn't get on the scoreboard. But, it wasn't until the last inning that the 94th warriors managed to break away with six runs to bring home the Family Day trophy. After that, the Dobbins Eagles made it two in a row over the chiefs. While last year's game was protested, the colonels team made it clear they were the team of the century as they made it past the chiefs 12 to 7. Defense played a key role in the victory as the colonels turned in three double plays to end chief rallies.



**Above: Chief Master Sgts. Bill Smiley, (foreground) 94th Logistics Support Squadron superintendent, and Gary Ask, 22nd Air Force serve up a new item on the menu — hot dogs (Photo by Don Peek).**



**Left: 94th Services provided Family Day fun and food, including cotton candy. The annual event has been growing during the past several years (Photo by Don Peek).**



**Above: Paddle boats made it possible to take a Dobbins cruise, but it's a lot of work (Photo by Don Peek).**

**Right: The idea is to see how far you can get before the rubber band pulls you back. This fellow is determined to hang on (Photo by Don Peek).**





It's all in the touch as Staff Sgt. James H. Dunbar, 80th Aerial Port Squadron sends a ringer on its way (Photo by Don Peek).



A highlight of Family Day was a happy clown and his raccoon friend seen here chatting with a couple of youngsters (Photo by Don Peek).



This youngster is dressed for the occasion, wings and all. Family Day 2001 provided music, games, food, sports, and dunk-tank action (Photo by Don Peek).

# Softball rivalry heats up at family day



Sports were on tap for afternoon activities with several softball rivalries. Chief Master Sgt. Les Davy, 22nd Air Force Life Support superintendent, does his best Pete Rose imitation as he sneaks in ahead of the tag from Col. Jim Glenn, 94th Wing vice commander (Photos by Don Peek).

## AFSA to sponsor picnic and POW/MIA ceremony during September

The Air Force Sergeants Association is sponsoring a picnic on Saturday, Sept. 8, at the Lakeside Recreation Center. Members of AFSA Chapter 452 and its auxiliary will serve hot dogs and hamburgers beginning at 11:30 a.m. The chapter is active in base activities and conducts monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of the month. Meetings start at 7 p.m. and are held in the 22nd Air Force building. The chapter is also sponsoring the POW/MIA Tree Planting Ceremony at Dobbins at 10 a.m. on September 20, with a reception following in Verhurlst Hall.

## Active-duty retirees can get information on joining the AF Reserve

The Air Force Reserve is offering active-duty military retirees the opportunity to return to military service.

The National Defense Authorization Act for FY2001 added Section 12741 to Chapter 1223, Title 10 USC, which permits retired active-component service members who later serve in the Air Force Reserve to elect retirement as members of the retired reserve.

In addition to helping Air Force Reserve Command fill a critical need, active-duty retirees will receive several benefits for continued military service as reservists.

Interested people who believe they qualify for the program may contact the Recruiting Opportunity Center at 1-800-295-4648 where they can leave information for a recruiter to call them back. To learn more about joining the Air Force Reserve, people may visit [www.afreserve.com/retiree](http://www.afreserve.com/retiree).

## Tuition assistance to increase, include master's degree

Air Force Reserve Command will increase the maximum amount of assistance and level of course work offered through its Tuition Assistance Program starting Oct. 1.

The maximum aid reservists may receive annually will climb from \$2,500 to \$3,500, and the program will expand studies from a bachelor's degree up to a master's degree.

The changes are part of the Reserve's ongoing effort to attract recruits and bolster retention.

Unit reservists can learn more about the eligibility requirements and program features from base/wing education and training offices. Individual mobilization augmentees can obtain assistance from

Delaina Hull of the military training division at Headquarters Air Reserve Personnel Center in Denver. ARPC/DPAT's telephone number is (303) 676-6396 or DSN 926-6396. (AFRC News Service)

## Opportunity knocks

Airman, the United States Air Force Academy wants you! Eighty-five appointments are available for Air Force Reservists and National Guardsman who meet the eligibility requirements. Applicants must be at least 17, but no older than 23, on July 1 of the year you desire to enter the academy; be an unmarried citizen of the United States, and have no dependents; and be of good moral character. A well-rounded background is also needed.

If you are interested in earning your college degree at the Air Force Academy and becoming an officer in the U.S. Air Force, call your local Admissions Liaison Officer, Maj. Young, at (770) 805-8660 or the U.S. Air Force Academy at (719) 333-2520.

## Win a car at the Dobbins Consolidated Club

The Consolidated Club's annual membership drive kicks off Aug. 1 and runs through Nov. 18. The Air Force Reserve Command Services is scheduled to give away a car to one lucky new member and one car to an existing member. As the membership drive edges closer, be on the lookout for how you can benefit from joining the Air Force Club system. For more information, call (770) 427-5551.

## Home Run Derby Challenge

Yes! Outdoor Recreation is sponsoring a Home Run Derby Contest at the base softball field on Thursday, Sept. 13 beginning at 6 p.m. This contest is open to DoD employees, reservists, active duty military, retired military and dependents of active duty. The contest will be played using the 10-pitch rule while allowing for two pitches to be taken. Sign up for the contest starts on Aug. 27. For more information, call (770) 919-4870.

## Biggest bingo ever

It's bigger, it's better, it's Super Bingo. On Sept. 20, the Consolidated Club presents the biggest bingo game at Dobbins ARB. Prizes range from the Early Bird prize of \$100 to the Grand Finale prize of \$5,000. Doors open, cards go on sale and the snack bar and buffet opens at 4 p.m. The Early Bird game will be called at 6:45 p.m. and regular games will start at 7 p.m. sharp. You must be 16 years of age

to play and be a club member or guest.

## Lunch Time Fun Run

Lunch can really be fun! It can be if you're part of the Fitness Center Fun Run on Wednesday, Sept. 26 beginning at 11:45 a.m. Sign up for this event begins Sept. 1 at the Fitness Center. This 2-mile run that starts at the Fitness Center is open to both men and women, and everyone who finishes will receive T-shirt. For more information, contact the Fitness Center at (770) 919-4872.

## Consolidated Club open house

The Dobbins Consolidated Club is opening her doors to eligible non-members on Oct. 20. The club will be serving all adult individuals "eligible" for membership a wonderful complimentary meal between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. The club is also giving away door prizes to anyone who enters the drawings. Attendance is limited to individuals eligible for club membership and one significant other. Significant other pays only \$5 for his or her meal. The Open House evening is an adult event and is therefore limited to individuals eighteen (18) years of age or older. Attendance is first come-first served.

## Lodging price change

Based on the lodging rate determination package, SAF/FMC has approved raising the lodging rates at Dobbins. A \$4.50 increase will result in a \$19 cost for all VAQ, VOQ, and VQ rooms, and is needed to stop the operating losses resulting in a financial drain on the Command Lodging Fund's ability to fund approved facility improvement projects. Distinguished VAQ and VOQ suites will increase to \$27.50. These rates include a \$3 surcharge levied by HQ USAF/ILV for construction of new Air Force TLFs and VQs. This increase was implemented July 1. Effective Oct. 1, Air Force will increase the surcharge by \$4 per night. At that time Dobbins rates will increase to \$23 for VQ, VAQ and VOQ rooms and \$31.50 for distinguished visitor quarters.

## Family Readiness

Family Readiness continues to visit units to assist members with their personal readiness plan. Members complete the items on their personal affairs checklist and keep the items in a personal affairs packet. Family members should always know where the packet containing items such as wills and powers of attorney, insurance policies, birth and marriage certificates, and bank account numbers are located.

The 94th AW Community Action Information Board (CAIB) will meet on Sunday of the November UTA at 9 a.m. in the wing conference room.

Additional Family Readiness Volunteer spouses are needed for our unit family support groups. The volunteers are trained to assist the unit families at times of major mobilization. The volunteers will be receiving training on Saturday of the September UTA from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. in room 2313 of building 838.

Each unit should have at least five volunteers for their family support group.

The 94th AW Family Readiness Unit Points of Contact will be meeting on Sunday of the October UTA in room 2313 of building 838.

For more information, contact J. Ealy Ritter at (770) 919-5004. If out of the Atlanta area, call toll free (888) 436-2246, ext. 9-5004.

## Quick actions save the day for mom



**Senior Airman Karen West (right) of the 914th Services Squadron in Niagara, N.Y., was looking forward to getting back home to her two children, Codie and Alyssa, as she attended a week-long class at the Prime RIBS training site at Dobbins ARB. Thanks to the quick thinking of her fellow classmate Staff Sgt. Barbara Reisetter (left), 114th Services Flight, South Dakota Air National Guard in Sioux Falls, West completed a normal training cycle and is back home enjoying her kids. West was having lunch when food became lodged in her windpipe. Thinking she could clear the blockage with a drink, she only expelled the liquid, and still couldn't breathe. Panic set in. "I thought she was throwing-up at first," said Reisetter. "But she was giving a signal that she couldn't breathe."**  
**"Yeah," said West. "I knew I was in trouble and was hitting the guy next to me in the chest trying to explain I couldn't breathe or talk."**  
**"I think it scared me more than her," added Reisetter. "I had training for the Heimlich maneuver, but had never performed it and was afraid of her hurting her. But it's a natural for a person to do something and I did what I could." Except for a little embarrassment, West recovered quickly, but decided not to finish lunch (Photo by Don Peek).**

# Website offers world of information

By Senior Airman Micky Cordiviola  
Public Affairs

Searching the web for DoD or Air Force topics has just become a little easier. Thanks to the website [www.afcrossroads.com](http://www.afcrossroads.com) which covers vast topics and organizes subtopics in easy to find areas on the website.

The website is especially important because it enables the Air Force family to communicate with each other. There are chat rooms available so that people on TDY can easily communicate with family members and can communicate with other Air Force members around the globe.

“The Air Force believes that one of its most important attributes is a sense of community among its members and their families. The Air Force is rededicating itself to both maintaining this sense of community and finding new and more efficient ways of providing it,” stated General

Michael E. Ryan, USAF Chief of Staff. This user-friendly website provides more than just chat rooms and communication capabilities, it also provides an essential amount of information. This



information ranges from medical information to selling items and everything in between.

For people who are starting out as

new parents there is a section called parenting. This section covers many different parenting topics and can also answer a variety of parenting questions.

Parents with children can refer their children to the teens and youth section. This section provides entertainment from sports to arts to video games. Children are not the only ones that can enjoy this website. The website has many useful categories for adults. Leisure activities and financial information are among two of the many different types of information that can be utilized by accessing this website.

If you are looking for information concerning DoD installations there is a section that provides links to many different DoD installation websites.

Not only can [afcrossroads.com](http://afcrossroads.com) possibly answer your questions it could very well enhance your knowledge of various topics.

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## Newly Assigned

Lt. Col. Evelyn Byars  
Lt. Col. Catherine Key  
Maj. Curass Cook  
Maj. Marshall Irvin, Jr.  
Master Sgt. Kristine Freeland  
Tech. Sgt. J Higgins-Robertson  
Tech. Sgt. Richard Winstead  
Staff Sgt. Scott Baum  
Staff Sgt. Virginia Bjornson  
Staff Sgt. Doreen Blake  
Staff Sgt. Tiffany Chalmers  
Staff Sgt. Tabbatha Echols  
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Senior Airman Manchuria White  
Airman 1st Class Michael Carver  
Airman 1st Class Anthea Davis  
Airman 1st Class Patrick Johnson  
Airman 1st Class Dexter Mobley  
Airman Dominique James  
Airman Basic Marcretia Bowman

## It's time again for the annual *Fall Fling 2001*

**Saturday, Oct. 13  
Building 838, 4 - 8 p.m.**

You and your family are invited to attend the Dobbins Fall Fling. This annual event is open at no cost to reservists, Dobbins employees, retirees and their families and guests. If you or your organization has a prized chili or wing recipe, see how it holds up in competition. All entries must be ready for judging at 5 p.m. There will be plenty of chili, wings, snacks, and drinks, along with entertainment, displays and door prizes. The event is sponsored by the Dobbins Chiefs Group and any donations are used to support Dobbins activities.

## Clergy Day 2001

The 94th Airlift Wing will be hosting a Clergy Day on Tuesday, Nov. 6. This is an opportunity for your pastor/priest/rabbi to learn more about Dobbins and the mission of the 94th Airlift Wing. If you would like your clergy person to be invited, please fill out the information below and return it to the base chapel through the mail system.

Yes!

Please invite my Pastor/Clergy/Priest/Rabbi (circle one) to the Dobbins Air Reserve Base Clergy Day on Tuesday, Nov. 6.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Church \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Member name \_\_\_\_\_  
Unit \_\_\_\_\_

# September UTA Schedule

\*schedule is subject to change

## Saturday, September 8

TIME	ACTIVITY (OPR)	LOCATION
0700-0830	OPEN RANKS/SIGN IN (CC)	UNIT ASGND
0730-0800	WING ELEMENT STAFF MTG	BLDG 838/RM 1202
0730-0900	NEWCOMERS INTRO	BLDG 838/WCR
0730	M16A2 RIFLE CLASS (SF)	SFS RANGE
0730-0845	NCO INDUCTION CEREMONY	CONSOL OPEN MESS
0830	M9 PISTOL CLASS (SF)	SFS RANGE
0830-1130	OUTPROCESSING BRIEF(DMPA)	BLDG 838/RM 2304
	0830-REASSIGNMENTS	
	0930-TDY (>30 DAYS)/SCHOOL TOURS	
	1030-RETIREMENTS	
0900-1100	NBCWD TNG (REFRESHER)(CEX)	BLDG 838/RM 1322
0900-1100	FR VOLUNTEER TNG (FR)	BLDG 838/RM 2313
0900-1500	NEWCOMERS ORIENTATION	BLDG 838/RM 1202
0930-1030	OJT MANAGERS MTG (DPMT)	BLDG 838/RM 2304
1000-1100	PCIII WORKERS GP (OCT/JAN/APR/JUL)	BLDG 827/RM 208B
1100-1200	FIRST SERGEANTS GP MTG	94MSS/BLDG 838
1300	OCCUPATIONAL PHYSICALS	NAVY CLINIC
1300-1500	CDC EXAMS (DPMT)	BLDG 838/RM 2304
1300-1500	NBCWD TNG (REFRESHER)(CEX)	BLDG 838/RM 1322
1500-1600	DEPLOYMENT MGRS MTG (XP)	BLDG 838/WCR
1600	RETREAT (CC) UNIT: 94MXS	BLDG 922/FRONT

## Sunday, September 9

TIME	ACTIVITY (OPR)	LOCATION
0645-0730	OPEN RANKS/SIGN IN (CC)	UNIT ASGND
0730	PHYSICAL EXAMS (AIRCREW)	NAVY CLINIC
0730-1600	COMBAT ARMS TRAINING (SF)	SFS RANGE
0800-0900	SAV MTG (CV)	BLDG 838/WCR
0800-1100	IMMUNIZATIONS	NAVY CLINIC
0800	PHYSICAL EXAMS (NON-AIRCREW)	NAVY CLINIC
0800-1400	NBCWD TNG (INITIAL) (CEX)	BLDG 838/ROOM 1322
0900-1000	YELLOW FEVER SHOTS	NAVY CLINIC
0900-1000	CHIEFS GROUP MTG (PA)	BLDG 838/RM 1202
0900-1030	OUTPROCESSING BRIEF(DPMSA)	BLDG 922/RM 205
	0900-REASSIGNMENTS	
	1000-TDY (>30 DAYS)/SCHOOL TOURS	
	1100-RETIREMENTS	
0900-1200	CDC EXAMS	BLDG 838/RM 2304
1000	IG COMPLAINTS	BLDG 838/RM 2105
1000-1030	ENL ADVISOR COUNCIL MTG (SEA)	BLDG 838/WCR
1000-1100	30-DAY RECORD REVIEW	BLDG 838/RM 1202
1130	CMDR'S WORKING LUNCH	COM (MARIETTA RM)
1300-1400	FLYING SAFETY	BLDG 727/700 AS
1300-1500	IMMUNIZATIONS	NAVY CLINIC
1300-1400	FLYING SAFETY	BLDG 727/700 AS
1315-1400	SUPERVISOR SAFETY TNG (MAR/JUN/SEP/DEC)	BLDG 744/ 2ND FL TNG RM
1500-1600	NEWCOMERS MTG (94AW/CC) (APR/JUL/OCT/JAN)	CONSOL OPEN MESS

## Herk Wonders



### What do you think Family Day represents?

“Family Day is a time for military members to become more connected. It is a time for bonding. It enables us to meet the family members who are so critical in the support of the Air Force.”

**Maj. Ruby Stewart, 94th Aeromedical Staging Squadron, CPR monitor**

“It is a time to meet other military member’s families. It is also a time to for the children to see what we do on the weekend instead of just seeing a uniform. We are also able to see our co-workers in a family setting.”

**Airman Basic Latechia Hogue, 94th Aeromedical Staging Squadron, health care**

“This is a very special day set aside to relax and have a great time with your Air Force family as well as your family at home. It also enables us to meet the families of those we work closely with on a monthly basis. Family Day represents people coming together as one big happy family.”

**Senior Airman James Branch, 94th communications flight, graphics**

“It’s a great opportunity to demonstrate a philosophy that we’ve believed for a number of years -- we are a family and this day helps us support that statement. It gives us the chance to meet and interact with our fellow brothers and sisters in uniform and their families. We all share that common bond of a team Air Force -- I love family day.”

**Tech. Sgt. Mark Clark, 94th Airlift Wing, Recruiting Squadron**

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